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Good Afternoon Chairman Howard, and the House Committee on Health and Human Services,

My name is Susan Mosness, I am a county commissioner from Sweet Grass County. I'm also currently ^{serving} as the vice chair of the Montana Association of Counties, subcommittee on Health and Human Services. That committee met in February of this year and voted unanimously to support HB 590 for Medicaid Expansion.

I also sit on the South Central Montana Regional Mental Health Center's governing board, that board is comprised of 11 different counties, these counties go from the most populous to one of the least populous, they are, Yellowstone, Musselshell, Petroleum, Fergus, Golden Valley, Judith Basin, Wheatland, Big Horn, Carbon, Stillwater, and Sweet Grass, with the majority being represented by their commissioners. At the meeting on Friday March 22, that board also voted unanimously to support HB 590. At that same meeting it was brought to our attention that the state's Mental Health Service Plan (MHSP) funding for chemical dependency will most likely run out before June 30th. Where will that population go for help our jails, that are currently overpopulated. This bill will address those issues, of the perennial shortfalls that plague our mental health centers.

Sweet Grass County has a critical access hospital that is county owned and taxpayer supported, rural healthcare is a fragile business at best in Montana, HB 590 will keep the small town medical centers going.

Lastly HB 590 will help your neighbors, the people you know that work several jobs, it might be cleaning at the local motel, waiting tables at the coffee shop or some of our veterans that need help.

Please do the right thing and support HB 590, thank you for your time and service.

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